

prepared media file information and for compressing the file; means for selecting predetermined coefficient sets; and further encoding means for embedding bits of the supplemental digital data at selected coefficients to produce a supplemented media file containing such embedded data for enabling user decoding and playback on playback apparatus of both the pre-prepared media file information and the embedded supplemental data, wherein the further encoding means uses the least-significant bit of the selected coefficients, and wherein the further encoding means embeds single bits of data by computing the parity of such least-significant bits of a group of said coefficients --

Please add the following claims:

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31. A process for embedding supplemental digital data into a pre-prepared compressed digital media file, that comprises, encoding the compressed digital media file as a set of coefficient representations of the pre-prepared media file information; embedding portions of the supplemental digital data at selected coefficients to produce a media file containing such embedded data for enabling user decoding and playback of both the pre-prepared media file information and the embedded supplemental data, wherein single bits of data are embedded by computing the parity of the least significant bits of a group of said coefficients. --
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32. The process of claim 31 wherein said computing comprises adding said bits of the group of said coefficients. --
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33. The process of claim 31 wherein watermarking digital data is applied to the media file information prior to the embedding of said supplemental data --

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Page 3, delete line 3.

Page 3, line 6, after "No." insert:--09/389,942 filed 3 September 1999--.

Page 20, line 5, change "me" to:--the--.

Page 20, line 8, cancel from "located" through the end of the line.

Page 20, line 5 from bottom delete the line and substitute:--; and--.

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